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Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	09/825,667	BELL ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to application filed 04-03-2001.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-32.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 03 April 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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Paper No./Mail Date _____ | 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Kirk Pankratz, R.N. 46,977, on September 30, 2004. These changes were made to correct typographical errors in the claims.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 21 (currently amended). A method for enhancing packet-based communications of a remote device comprising:

receiving a request from a first communications device to enhance a packet-based communication session between the first communications device and a second communications device;

allocating a digital signal processing (DSP) resource for the communication session responsive to the request;

receiving packets for the communication session from the second communications device;

processing the packets using the allocated DSP resource to enhance information encoded in the packets; and

communicating the processed packets to the first communications device using the interface.

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Claim 26 (currently amended). Logic for enhancing packet-based communications of a remote device, the logic encoded in media and operable when executed to:

- receive a request from a first communications device to enhance a packet-based communication session between the first communications device and a second communications device;

- allocate a digital signal processing (DSP) resource for the communication session responsive to the request;

- receive packets for the communication session from the second communications device;

- process the packets using the allocated DSP resource to enhance information encoded in the packets; and

- communicate the processed packets to the first communications device using the interface.

Claim 30 (currently amended). A resource management apparatus comprising:

- means for receiving a request from a first communications device to enhance a packet-based communication session between the first communications device and a second communications device;

- means for allocating a digital signal processing (DSP) resource for the communication session responsive to the request;

- means for receiving packets for the communication session from the second communications device;

- means for processing the packets using the allocated DSP resource to enhance

information encoded in the packets; and

means for communicating the processed packets to the first communications device using the interface.

Conclusion

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the prior art of record fails to anticipate or make obvious the feature of requesting enhancement of a communication session in order to allocate a DSP resource between a first and second device.

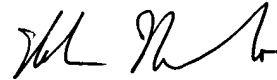
Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Melvin Marcelo whose telephone number is 571-272-3125. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri 8:30-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chau Nguyen can be reached on 571-272-3126. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Melvin Marcelo', is positioned above the printed name.

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September 30, 2004